

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 468–475, and S. Res. 67–68. **Pages S1794–95**

#### Measures Reported:

Reported on Wednesday, February 23, during the adjournment:

S. 47, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico. (S. Rept. No. 109–7)

S. 74, to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. (S. Rept. No. 109–8)

S. 153, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor. (S. Rept. No. 109–9)

S. 212, to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera. (S. Rept. No. 109–10)

S. 225, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 109–11)

S. 254, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries. (S. Rept. No. 109–12) **Page S1794**

Reported on Monday, February 28:

S. 156, to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 109–13) **Page S1794**

#### Measures Passed

**Extension Living Well Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 67, designating the second week of March 2005 as “Extension Living Well Week”. **Page S1811**

**Read Across America Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 68, designating March 2, 2005, as “Read Across America Day”. **Page S1811**

**Bankruptcy Reform Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 256, a bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code. **Pages S1726–88**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of the bill at 10:45 a.m., on Tuesday, March 1, 2005.

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

John C. Dugan, of Maryland, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of five years.

William Cobey, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2010.

Nancy Ann Nord, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 26, 2005.

Nancy Ann Nord, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2005.

Jeffrey Clay Sell, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Christopher J. Hanley, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2006.

Linda Morrison Combs, of North Carolina, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

6 Army nominations in the rank of general.

5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

4 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

6 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy.

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 4:37 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, March 1, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Majority Leader in today's Record on page S18111.)

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 66, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1.

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D20)

S. 5, to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants. Signed on February 18, 2005. (Public Law 109–2)

### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 1 through March 5, 2005

#### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 10:45 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 256, Bankruptcy Reform Act.

During the balance of the week Senate will consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* March 2, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Education, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

March 2, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the defense budget, 10 a.m., SD–192.

March 2, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal

year 2006 for states citizenship and immigration services/customs and border protection/immigration and customs enforcement, 10:30 a.m., SD–138.

March 3, Subcommittee on Interior, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the U.S. Forest Service, 9:30 a.m., SD–124.

March 3, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SD–138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* March 1, to hold hearings to examine military strategy and operational requirements from combatant commanders in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

March 2, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding Department of Defense human intelligence activities, 4:30 p.m., S–407, Capitol.

March 3, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine the proposed Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2006 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* March 1, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Ronald Rosenfeld, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, 2 p.m., SD–538.

March 3, Full Committee, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on the Budget:* March 1, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget for fiscal year 2006 for defense, 10 a.m., SD–608.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* March 1, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–366.

March 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2006 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD–366.

March 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD–366.